

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1517

By Kelsey

A RESOLUTION to recognize and congratulate Bob and Kay Kelsey upon the occasion of their fifty-third wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly take great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, Robert Carrington Kelsey, son of James Thomas Kelsey, Sr. and Elizabeth Carrington Kelsey, and Kay Keough Kelsey, daughter of Joe Richard Keough and Lorraine Billingsley Keough, were joined in holy matrimony on April 19, 1969, at Collierville Christian Church, and since that fateful day, this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, middle school sweethearts, Bob and Kay Kelsey graduated from Collierville High School in 1964 and 1965, respectively, where he was captain of the football team and student council vice president, and she was captain of the cheerleading squad and student council president; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Kelsey graduated from Memphis State University, now known as the University of Memphis; and

WHEREAS, for the first six months of married life, Mr. Kelsey was stationed in Bitburg, Germany, with the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kelsey is retired from thirty-eight years in the safety products industry, having designed and sourced countless lines of safety gloves; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Kelsey is a retired elementary school teacher, having taught in Memphis City Schools, Shelby County Schools, and private schools for twenty-eight years, including beginning a Pre-K program; and

WHEREAS, they are proud members of Christ United Methodist Church, participating in Bible studies and their beloved *Seekers* Sunday school class; and

WHEREAS, their marriage has been blessed with two children, Carr (wife Fran) and Brian (wife Amanda), and grandchildren, Carrington, Ainsley, Knox, Reagan, and two more on the way; and

WHEREAS, for fifty-three years, this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Kelseys' truly represent the best and brightest of our society, as they remind us of the intrinsic value of continuity and commitment in this ever-changing world; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we congratulate Bob and Kay Kelsey on the occasion of their fifty-third wedding anniversary and extend to them our warmest wishes for continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

